



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held March 21, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“There have been several reports of individuals who claim only welfare as income to obtain Housing and Urban Development Section 8 housing benefits. These same persons then falsify a few pay stubs to qualify for child care benefits while at the same time claiming to be an In Home Support Services caregiver for a person who lives in another city. All three programs are being defrauded and perpetrators are collecting thousands of dollars a month.

“In addition to the efforts of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to eradicate welfare fraud, a consolidated database among Los Angeles Community Development Commission, DPSS and other County agencies who distribute public assistance could further assist in the prevention of public assistance fraud. This database would have to rely on information technology and legal restrictions on confidentiality.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to convene a taskforce with members from the Community Development Commission, Departments of Children and Family Services, Child Support Services, District Attorney, Public Social Services, County Counsel, the Chief Information Office and the Auditor-Controller, to develop a consolidated database for checking for public assistance fraud; and

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2. Directed the taskforce to report back to the Board by May 2, 2006, on a means to fund such a database, including grants from the Quality and Productivity Commission for a pilot project.

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- County Counsel
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- Director of Children and Family Services
- Director of Public Social Services
- Executive Director of the Community Development Commission
- Chair, Quality and Productivity Commission